

**NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS TO THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST
CODE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
AND
SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT OF REASONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, pursuant to the authority set forth in section 87306 of the Government Code, proposes additional amendments to its Conflict of Interest Code. The purpose of these amendments is to implement the requirements of sections 87300 through 87302, and section 87306, of the Government Code.

The Political Reform Act (Gov. Code, § 81000 et seq.) requires each government agency to adopt a conflict of interest code, and agency personnel covered by the code to periodically file a financial disclosure statement known as a statement of economic interests. (See Gov. Code, §§ 87300 and 87302.) Among other things, an agency's conflict of interest code must enumerate employee positions with the agency that involve the making of or participation in the making of decisions that may foreseeably have a material financial effect on any economic interest of the employee and, for each enumerated position, the specific types of investments, business positions, interests in real property, and sources of income and gifts which are required to be disclosed on the statement of economic interests. (Gov. Code, § 87302.)

The Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General proposes to amend its conflict of interest code due to the creation of new employee positions and the reorganization of existing employee positions that involve the making or participation in the making of decisions that may foreseeably have a material effect on any financial interest, as set forth in subdivision (a) of section 87302 of the Government Code.

Additional Proposed Amendments

When the amendments to the Department's Conflict of Interest Code were originally noticed, we overlooked two types of positions within the Division of Gambling Control. In finalizing the Code, we have determined that these two additional classifications should be included and have prepared these additional amendments accordingly.

Because these additional amendments are related to the original notice, we are required to provide notice 15 days prior to approving these amendments to all affected employees and to the public. This document constitutes that notice. The balance of the Department's Conflict of Interest Code has been approved as originally noticed.

The newly-created category for the Division of Gambling Control combines disclosure of interests related to the division's regulatory programs over the gambling industry and division-wide contracting authority. The Special Agent Supervisors oversee the division's investigations of gambling facilities, and Field Representatives conduct the on-sight inspections of gambling facilities to assure compliance with the law and departmental regulations. Because actual investigations of

gambling facilities are relatively infrequent, and monitored by the Special Agent Supervisor, we have not designated the classification of Special Agent at this time.

Under this amendment, Special Agent Supervisors and Field Representatives would be designated to report their economic interests as required by Disclosure Category 18. Disclosure Category 18 is designed to disclose those economic interests in the gambling industry that are subject to regulation by the division. For more information, please see the new text in the version of the Conflict of Interest Code that is attached.

Any person wishing to submit comments must do so in writing, and provide them to Deputy Attorney General, Ted Prim at 1300 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 by close of business on January 30, 2006.